

Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R¹ is H, OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R² is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, CONR⁵R⁶, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R³, R⁴ are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R⁵, R⁶ are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R⁵ and R⁶ can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

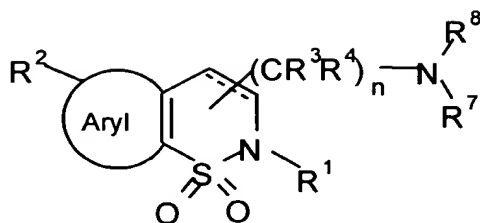
R⁷, R⁸ are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ³-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

2. (Amended) A compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl, an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, or CF<sub>3</sub>; or C<sub>2-5</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl or an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

A<sup>2</sup>  
R<sup>3</sup> & R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

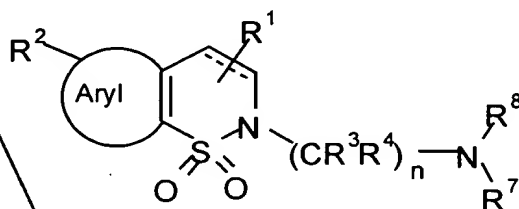
n is 2 to 4;

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m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

5. (Amended) A method for lowering IOP which comprises administering to a person in need thereof, a composition comprising an effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, CONR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

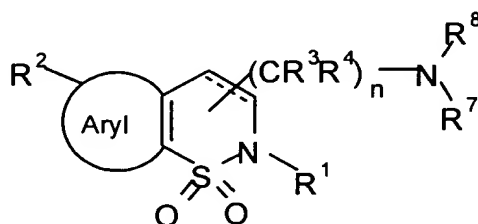
R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

n is 2 to 4;

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and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

6. (Amended) A method for lowering IOP which comprises administering to a person in need thereof, a composition comprising an effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl, an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, or S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>2-5</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl or an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup> & R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

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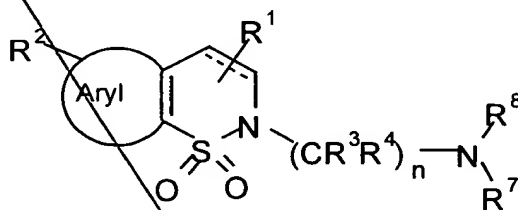
heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine,  $\Delta^3$ -piperidine, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH,  $OC_{1-3}$ alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen,  $CF_3$ ,  $OC_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with  $C_{1-4}$ alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen,  $CF_3$ ,  $OC_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl;

n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

9. (Amended) A method for improving blood flow to the optic nerve head and the retina which comprises administering to a person in need thereof, a composition comprising an effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

$R^1$  is H, OH,  $OC_{1-3}$ alkyl,  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl,  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or  $OC_{1-3}$ alkyl;

$R^2$  is H, halogen,  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl,  $CONR^5R^6$ ,  $S(=O)_mC_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or  $OC_{1-3}$ alkyl;

$R^3$ ,  $R^4$  are independently H,  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH or  $OC_{1-3}$ alkyl;

$R^5$ ,  $R^6$  are independently H,  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $C_{2-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH,  $OC_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with  $C_{1-3}$ alkyl,  $C_{2-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH or  $OC_{1-3}$ alkyl;

$R^7$ ,  $R^8$  are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached, incorporated into a

with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

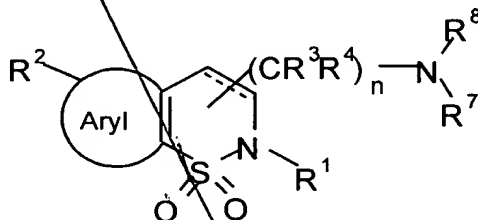
R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

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Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl, an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, or S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>2-5</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl or an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

~~R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;~~

~~R<sup>3</sup> & R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;~~

~~R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;~~

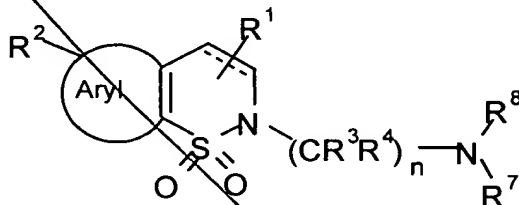
~~R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;~~

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~~and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.~~

13. (Amended) A method for treating retinal diseases selected from the group consisting of glaucoma, age related macular degeneration (ARMD), optic neuritis, ischemic disorders, diabetic retinopathy, and retinal edema which comprises administering to a person in need thereof, a composition comprising an effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, CONR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

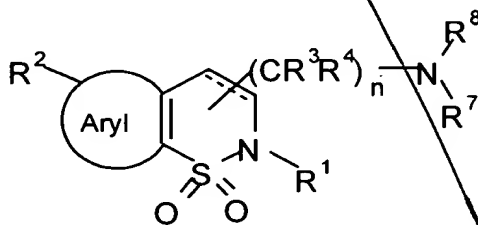
R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidine, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

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14. (Amended) A method for treating retinal diseases selected from the group consisting of glaucoma, age related macular degeneration (ARMD), optic neuritis, ischemic disorders, diabetic retinopathy, and retinal edema which comprises administering to a person in need thereof, a composition comprising an effective amount of a compound of the formula:





Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

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R<sup>1</sup> is H, C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl, an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, or S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>2-5</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl or an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

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R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup> & R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

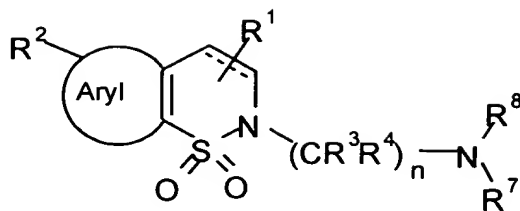
R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidine, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

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17. (Amended) A composition for lowering IOP comprising a pharmaceutically



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, CONR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

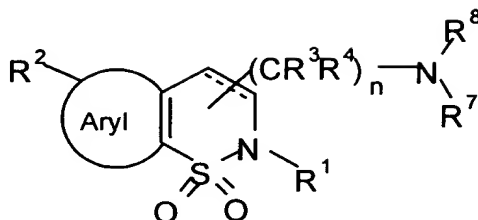
n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

18. (Amended) A composition for lowering IOP comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:

effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl, an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, or S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>2-5</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl or an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup> & R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-</sub>

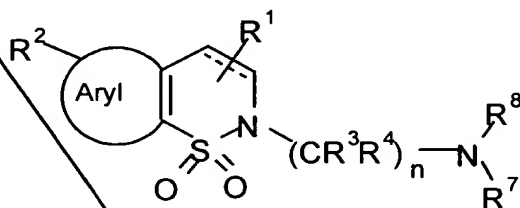
3alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

A6 n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

21. A composition for improving blood flow to the optic nerve head and the retina comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

$R^1$  is H, OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

$R^2$  is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, CONR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

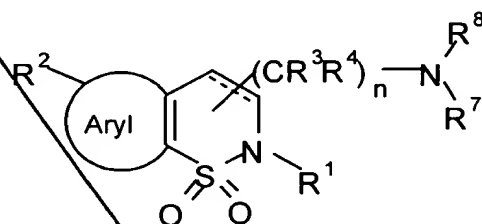
$R^3$ ,  $R^4$  are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

$R^5$ ,  $R^6$  are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

$R^7$ ,  $R^8$  are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine,  $\Delta^3$ -piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be

unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen,  $\text{CF}_3$ ,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ , or  $\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ;  
 $n$  is 2 to 4;  
 $m$  is 0, 1 or 2  
 and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

22. (Amended) A composition for improving blood flow to the optic nerve head and the retina comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

$\text{R}^1$  is H,  $\text{C}_{1-5}\text{alkyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_{3-5}\text{alkenyl}$ , an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ,  $\text{S}(=\text{O})_m\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ , halogen,  $\text{CF}_3$ , or  $\text{S}(=\text{O})_2\text{NR}^5\text{R}^6$ ; or  $\text{C}_{2-5}\text{alkyl}$  substituted optionally with OH,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ,  $\text{S}(=\text{O})_m\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$  or an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ,  $\text{S}(=\text{O})_m\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ , halogen,  $\text{CF}_3$ ,  $\text{S}(=\text{O})_2\text{NR}^5\text{R}^6$ ; or  $\text{C}_{3-5}\text{alkenyl}$  substituted optionally with OH,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ , or  $\text{S}(=\text{O})_m\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ;

$\text{R}^2$  is H, halogen,  $\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ,  $\text{S}(=\text{O})_m\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ , or  $\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$  substituted optionally with OH, or  $\text{OC}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ;

$\text{R}^3$  &  $\text{R}^4$  are independently H,  $\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ , or  $\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$  substituted optionally with OH or  $\text{OC}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ;

$\text{R}^5$ ,  $\text{R}^6$  are independently H,  $\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ , or  $\text{C}_{2-3}\text{alkyl}$  substituted optionally with OH,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ , or  $\text{R}^5$  and  $\text{R}^6$  can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with  $\text{C}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_{2-3}\text{alkyl}$  substituted optionally with OH or  $\text{OC}_{1-3}\text{alkyl}$ ;

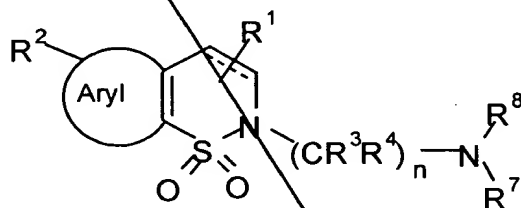
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R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidine, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

25. (Amended) A composition for treating retinal diseases selected from the group consisting of glaucoma, age related macular degeneration (ARMD), optic neuritis, ischemic disorders, diabetic retinopathy, and retinal edema comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, CONR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally

with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

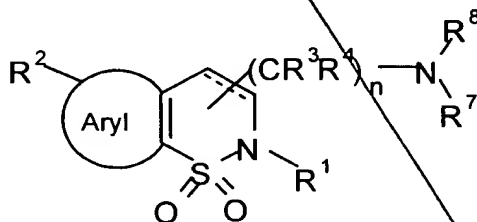
R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

26. (Amended) A composition for treating retinal diseases selected from the group consisting of glaucoma, age related macular degeneration (ARMD), optic neuritis, ischemic disorders, diabetic retinopathy, and retinal edema comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:



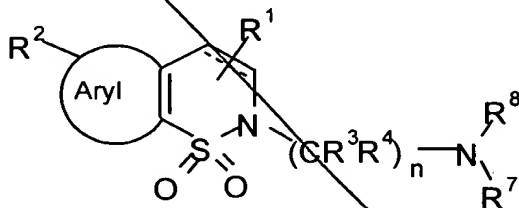
Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl, an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, or S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>2-5</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl or an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-</sub>

$\text{R}^1$  is H, halogen,  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl,  $\text{S}(=\text{O})_m\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or  $\text{OC}_{1-3}$ alkyl;  
 $\text{R}^2$  is H, halogen,  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl,  $\text{S}(=\text{O})_m\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or  $\text{OC}_{1-3}$ alkyl;  
 $\text{R}^3$  &  $\text{R}^4$  are independently H,  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH or  $\text{OC}_{1-3}$ alkyl;  
 $\text{R}^5$ ,  $\text{R}^6$  are independently H,  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $\text{C}_{2-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $\text{R}^5$  and  $\text{R}^6$  can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl,  $\text{C}_{2-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH or  $\text{OC}_{1-3}$ alkyl;  
 $\text{R}^7$ ,  $\text{R}^8$  are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine,  $\Delta^3$ -piperidine, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl substituted optionally with OH,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen,  $\text{CF}_3$ ,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen,  $\text{CF}_3$ ,  $\text{OC}_{1-3}$ alkyl, or  $\text{C}_{1-3}$ alkyl;  
 $n$  is 2 to 4;  
 $m$  is 0, 1 or 2  
 and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

39. (Amended) A method for treating persons suffering from a sleeping disorder, depression, schizophrenia, anxiety, circadian rhythm disorders, and centrally and peripherally mediated hypertension, which comprises, administering a composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:





Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, CONR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

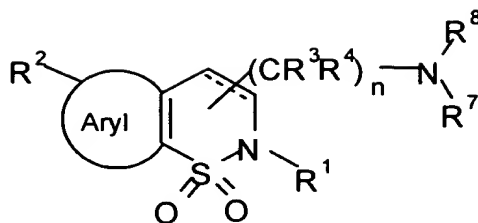
R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidine, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

40. (Amended) A method for treating persons suffering from a sleeping disorder, depression, schizophrenia, anxiety, obsessive compulsive disorder, circadian rhythm disorders, and centrally and peripherally mediated hypertension which comprises, administering a composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R¹ is H, C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl, an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, or S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>2-5</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl or an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>; or C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R² is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R³ & R⁴ are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R⁵, R⁶ are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R⁵ and R⁶ can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R⁷, R⁸ are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ³-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be

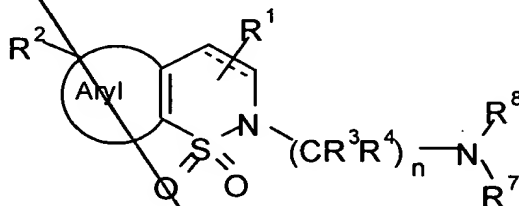
unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates.

43. (Amended) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:



Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, CONR<sup>5</sup>R<sup>6</sup>, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

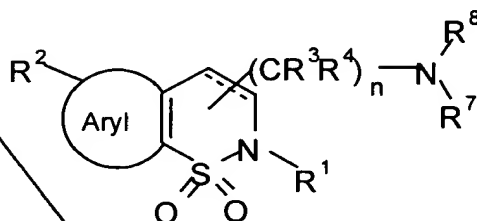
R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>8</sup> are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ<sup>3</sup>-piperidein, piperazine, morpholine or thiomorpholine which can be unsubstituted or substituted on carbon with one or more substituents optionally selected from C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or substituted on nitrogen with C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy or phenyl which can be unsubstituted or substituted optionally with halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

n is 2 to 4;

m is 0, 1 or 2

and any pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

44. (Amended) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula:



A10  
Wherein the dashed bond represents a single or double bond;

Aryl signifies a fused phenyl or monocyclic heteroaromatic ring;

R¹ is H, C<sub>1-5</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl, an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, or S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR⁵R⁶; or C<sub>2-5</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl or an aromatic ring such as phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, and imidazolyl which is either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, S(=O)<sub>2</sub>NR⁵R⁶; or C<sub>3-5</sub>alkenyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R² is H, halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, S(=O)<sub>m</sub>C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R³ & R⁴ are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R⁵, R⁶ are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH, OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, or R⁵ and R⁶ can be joined together with saturated carbon atoms to form a 5 or 6 membered ring and said carbon atoms can be either unsubstituted or substituted optionally with C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub>alkyl substituted optionally with OH or OC<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl;

R⁷, R⁸ are together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached incorporated into a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, Δ³-